

## FIVE MEN IN TOMBS AFTER LIQUOR RAID

Four Others Freed in \$50,000  
Seizure in Which Stolen  
Permits Were Used.

AGENTS GET EBLING BEER

Sailor Arrested in East Side  
for Offering Scotch to  
Raiders at \$6.

Five men were arrested yesterday afternoon and sent to the Tombs on a commitment charging conspiracy to violate the Volstead act and to defraud the United States out of collection of liquor duties in connection with the seizure of a truck containing whiskey valued at \$50,000 in bootleg prices.

The truck was seized by agents of the Internal Revenue Bureau while truckmen were engaged in removing 500 cases of King William Scotch whiskey from the Vandam bonded warehouse at 42 Vesey street, near Church street. The Federal officers charged that the permit on which the liquor was being withdrawn was stolen and forged.

The five men gave their names as Samuel Born, insurance agent; Benjamin Halpern, real estate dealer; Charles Jackson, bookkeeper at the Vandam warehouse; and Otto and Arthur Gass brothers. Born had \$17,500 and Halpern \$5,000 in their possession. Jackson is alleged to have stolen the five warehouse certificates which were used in the withdrawal of the whiskey.

Liquor Had Been Transferred.

In the attempt to withdraw the 500 cases of whiskey the papers presented at the warehouse purported to explain that the liquor had been sold by McKesson & Robbins, 91 Fulton street, who received the liquor from Scotland in September, 1921, to George W. Luft, Inc., 181 Eighth avenue, Long Island City, to be transferred by that firm to Nathan Moser of 152 West Twenty-fourth street.

The Federal agents had been watching the warehouse for several days. Chief Hugh McQuillan of the Special Intelligence Unit having been informed of the alleged conspiracy. Nine men were arrested yesterday while loading the liquor on the truck, but only five were held.

Following the receipt of several complaints to John D. Appleby, zone chief of the general prohibition agents of New York and New Jersey, sample bottles of beer were seized yesterday from the plant of the Ebling Brewery, 790 St. Ann's avenue, and from two trucks alleged to belong to the brewery. One of the officials of the company is alleged to have offered a bribe of \$4,000 to the agents to substitute other bottles for those seized.

Sailor Seized in Street.

While Federal Agents Kurzman and McCay were returning from a raid last night, after arresting Arnold Wolf, 195 East Third street, and seizing a quantity of liquor, they met at Seventh street and Avenue B, a Porto Rican who asked them if they wanted to buy two quarts of Scotch liquor for \$6 each. The agents consented to make the purchase.

When arrested the man gave his name as Peter Catus, 21, a seaman, of 181

Park Row. He was locked up in the Fifth street police station on the charge of possessing and attempting to sell liquor.

WOLF, whose place was raided under a search warrant, was locked up in the same station. The agents seized four gallons of alcohol, two gallons of coloring matter, a quantity of extract and a quart of brandy.

JENNINGS BROKERAGE  
FAILS AWAITING TRIAL

American Cotton Exchange  
Firm Owes \$25,892.

A. T. Jennings & Co., cotton brokers, 85 Broad street, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy yesterday in the United States District Court. Angelo T. Jennings, head of the concern, is one of the five broker-directors of the American Cotton Exchange awaiting trial on a bootlegging charge with George W. Pratt, the secretary.

Liabilities of the concern were put at \$25,892 and assets at \$6,048. The former consist chiefly of marginal trading accounts of customers on which the concern owes money. The assets are made up of outstanding debts and office fixtures.

The American Exchange is named as a creditor for \$1,200, representing seven memberships. This is the second member of the exchange to fail recently. Rose & Co., the head of which was Randolph Rose, Sr., went under a short time ago. The American Exchange was found guilty of bootlegging and was fined \$5,000 by Justice Marcus in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court. It was tried on a charge of "maintaining a bucket shop" and its conviction was the first against an exchange in this State. Jennings lives at 372 Fairmount avenue, Jersey City.

## EX-BROKER ACCUSED OF \$12,500 SWINDLE

Milton Heim Arrested as Accessories Dealer Near Columbus Circle.

BANKRUPT FOR \$350,000

Philadelphia Engineer Charges  
Embezzlement of His Colateral on Account.

Milton Heim, former head of the defunct Consolidated Stock Exchange brokerage of Milton Heim & Co., 74 Broadway, with branches in several Eastern cities, was arrested yesterday on request of the police of Philadelphia, where he is charged with the embezzlement of \$12,500.

Heim, who lives at 464 Riverside Drive, was arrested by Lieut. Gegan and Detective Kelly of Headquarters in an office at Fifty-seventh street and Broadway. They declared he was in charge of a cooperative automobile accessories organization.

The broker's firm failed last September with liabilities of \$350,000, according to the police. The only indication they gave of his assets was that he had made an offer of settlement of ten cents on the dollar.

Heim's Philadelphia office was at 1622 Chestnut street, and his failure caused more stir in that city than here, the

police reported. The complaint against him was Lewis Wilcox of Philadelphia, a civil engineer. He alleged that in May and June of last year he deposited \$12,500 with the broker as collateral and that the money was misappropriated.

The Philadelphia authorities learned of the former broker's whereabouts through an advertisement offering his automobile accessories organization for sale. When the two New York detectives visited his office they posed as prospective purchasers of the concern and immediately got an audience with Heim.

Mr. Wilcox, the complainant, and Detective Abbott of the Philadelphia force, were present when Heim was released under \$5,000 bail by Justice Coleman in Supreme Court.

Less than two years ago, according to police reports, Heim was a clerk in a clothing store. His brokerage house had a mushroom growth they said. Following his failure last fall his creditors demanded an examination into the firm's books in the belief that there had been business irregularities. Frederick Heimbey, his attorney, denied that his client had indulged in improper practices. Several complaints were made against him but were thrown out of court at magistrate's hearings.

## WEEKS AS WITNESS IS DISQUALIFIED

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Surrendered was not signed and did not in plain words say that Ward shot Clarence Peters, it is contended in certain quarters that Ward's lawyers could embarrass the prosecution by defying it to prove that Peters was killed by Ward. To meet such a contingency Coroner Fitzgerald is ready to swear that he said to Ward on May 22, "Well, you made a good job of it. Didn't you?" and that Ward answered, "Yes; maybe I wouldn't have been so lucky next time."

And District Attorney Weeks is prepared to swear that he said to Ward: "What kind of a gun did you use?" and that Ward answered: "A 38 caliber Colt automatic." This testimony is likely to be given at the long deferred Coroner's inquest, which, Coroner Fitzgerald said yesterday, will be held this week, probably on Tuesday.

If George S. Ward testifies to-morrow

before Justice Morechauser he will be required to sign a waiver of immunity. The prosecution believes that George Ward knows more about the blackmail plot than any other person except his son Walter. The threats of the extortionists, it is believed, not only were directed against the reputation and life of Walter Ward and the lives of his wife and children, but also had as their object the elder Ward.

Ward Bearing Up Well.

Meanwhile Ward is bearing up well under confinement. He spent most of yesterday reading newspapers and magazines in his cell, No. 1 of the upper tier. It was visitors' day at the jail, but none called on him. It has been noted in White Plains that his wife did not visit him two weeks ago, when he was held without bail for two days; has not attended any of the hearings except when called as a Grand Jury witness and has not tried to see her husband since last Thursday, when he was committed to jail after indictment. She is reported to be feeling the strain of the long drawn out investigation of Ward's conduct.

She took the shirt to White Plains a few days ago and tried to see District Attorney Weeks. It was understood there that she did see him and that he

formed the opinion that she was mistaken in her theory that she had stumbled upon evidence in the Ward case and that the shirt belonged to Charley Ross, the blackmailer whom Ward thinks he shot just after Peters fell. However, Mrs. Humiston says she has made an appointment for Mrs. Adams with the District Attorney for next Wednesday.

It was said in White Plains last night that Walter Ward's counsel have engaged several private detectives, each of whom is working on one phase of the case. Among other things, they are hunting for the missing witnesses, Charley Ross and Jack of the Ward story, Charles Rogers and Jackson of the Cunningham story. The person who told of the hiring of the detectives said there really are two such men, but their names are not Jackson and Rogers. He said they are not now in New York State. The same person said that the defense has no knowledge of Cunningham's story except what has been in the newspapers.

In the normal course of procedure in a murder case the next move of Ward's counsel at White Plains would be to ask permission to inspect the Grand Jury minutes and then to move for dismissal of the indictment. Experience has proved, however, that it is almost impossible for the defendant in a mur-

der action in Westchester county to see the minutes of the Grand Jury which indicted him. Judges have almost uniformly denied the motion. One of the cases in which this was done is that of the negro who is to be tried before Ward.

## WIFE SEEKS ARREST OF ELOPING MINISTER

Xenia, Ohio, June 17.—A warrant for his arrest on a desertion charge, was filed to-day against the Rev. W. W. Culp, 35, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Spring Valley, near here, who early Wednesday eloped with Miss Esther Hughes, an eighteen-year-old music teacher, who was boating at his home.

Mrs. Culp, who has nine children, the youngest of whom are six months old, signed the warrant last night.

A Dayton automobile company, which sold Culp an automobile on which a mortgage is outstanding, is reported ready to file a warrant for the minister's arrest on the charge of moving mortgaged property without consent. Culp's congregation subscribed much of the money with which the automobile was purchased.



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